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Dr. Joshua Lederberg Professor of Genetics School of Medicine Stanford University Medical Center Stanford, California 94305

Dear Dr. Lederberg:

Thank you very much for your kindness in sending me your frank views and comments on the goals, objectives, and position of value of our space biology long range plan.

Your thoughtful reply is being used in a revision which will be made a part of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's long range plan to be reviewed by the Presidential Task Force. This will then serve as the basis for our future space biology program in NASA.

The revised plan will also be submitted for review in depth at a special summer study on space biology being convened by the National Academy of Sciences, Space Science Board, at Santa Cruz, California, this July.

Your cooperation in providing your constructive and helpful remarks is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Homer E. Newell

Associate Administrator